

### 1 Prerequisites

- Application Note "Connecting the DT8x to a local area network"
  Or
- Application Note "Connecting the DT8x to an Ethernet modem"

### 2 Requirements

- dataTaker DT8x data logger running firmware V7.12 or above
- PC with Winlog Lite installed (available from <a href="http://www.sielcosistemi.com">http://www.sielcosistemi.com</a>)
- DeTransfer software
- Network connection between the PC and dataTaker

#### 3 Method

### 3.1 Check dataTaker settings

Note down the *dataTaker* **MODBUS\_SERVER** and **ETHERNET** profile settings. These contain the information that you will require to communicate via Modbus RTU TCP. If you are using an automatic IP address, then you should consider changing this to a static IP address (consult your network administrator for a static IP address).

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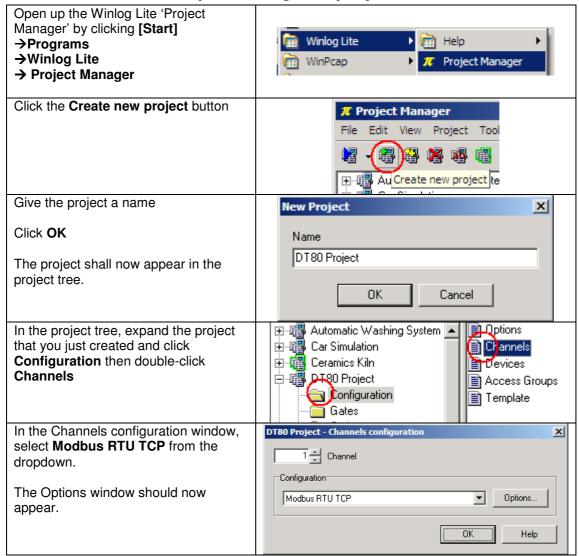
When using Modbus, the values are transmitted in integer (whole number) form. This means that the values are rounded to the closest whole number. To maintain decimal precision you can specify a scale factor for the values transmitted over the Modbus connection, then divide the value on the receiving end. This is done via the SETMODBUS command.

i.e. to scale the channel variables 1-30 by 100 (which would give you 2 decimal places) you would enter the following dataTaker command:

SETMODBUS 1..30CV MBI 100

Note that when using the MBI format, the valid range is  $-32768 \rightarrow +32767$ , hence if you use a divider of 100 then you must have values between  $-327.68 \rightarrow +327.67$ 

#### 3.2 Create and set up a Winlog Lite project



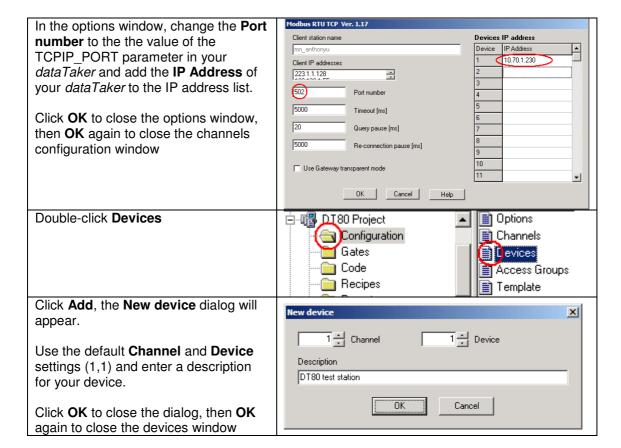
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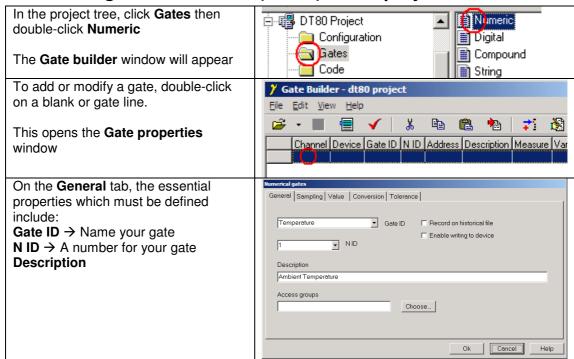
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#### 3.3 Adding measurements (Gates) to the project



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On the **Sampling** tab, choose the General Sampling Value | Conversion | Tolerance | Channel and Device to be 1. Channel → Protocol: Modbus RTU TCP The **Address** is mapped to the channel ▼ Device variable you wish to view, but is 30,000 minus one (40,000 if you need to 30019 Address read/write). i.e. if you wish to view Always ▼ Read block ▼ Sample 23CV then you enter address 30022 Sample freq. [Sec.] Change Sample to 'Always' and define your sample frequency Ok Cancel Help On the Value tab, enter the Maximum and Minimum values for your variable Decimal digits Change the Variable Type to 2000 S WORD Enter the number of **Decimal Digits** you will use (this is to counter the ▼ Measure scaling performed when setting up the ▼ Variable type dataTaker) On the **Conversion** tab, select 'Apply General Sampling Value Conversion Tolerance decimal digits conversion'. You may leave the rest of the fields as default Measured val. 1 Click **OK** to finish and add your gate Engineering val. 1 Save the changes on the Gate builder window and close Engineering val. 2 Apply decimal digits conversion

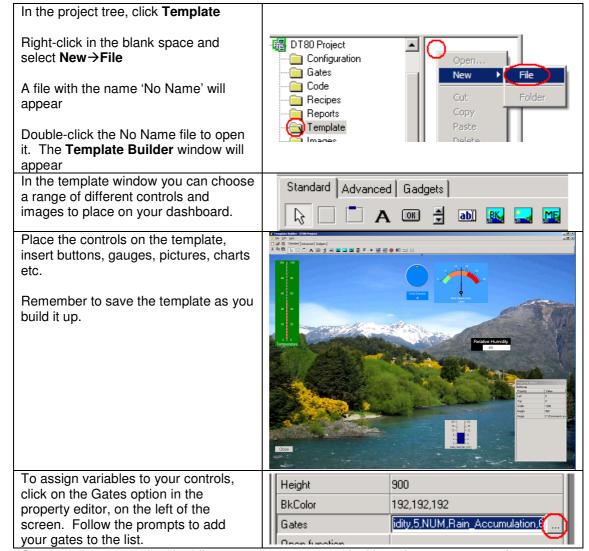
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Ok Cancel

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### 3.4 Creating a Template/Dashboard



Once you have completed adding components to your dashboard, save your template and close the template window.

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#### 3.5 Executing your template/dashboard

To run your dashboard, open the **Project Manager** and right-click on the project name and select **Execute**.

Once the project opens, click Supervision → Template → Template name

If you would like a template to automatically open whenever you execute the project, you can follow this procedure:

